

Meeting Minutes

September 8, 2017 (Phone Meeting)
Washington Student Achievement Council
Olympia, Washington

Members attending:

Maud Daudon, Paul Francis, Jan Yoshiwara, Jeff Charbonneau, Michaela Miller, Susana Reyes, and Violet Boyer.

Staff attending:

Michael Meotti, Rachele Sharpe, Marc Webster, Maddy Thompson, Aaron Wyatt, Randy Spaulding, Becky Thompson, and Kristin Ritter.

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 p.m. by Chair Maud Daudon.

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Motion was made to approve the minutes as presented.

Motion seconded.

Motion carried.

WSAC Supplement Budget Request

Marc Webster, Senior Fiscal Policy Advisor Action item

The Council reviewed the Council's supplemental budget request. The request included four areas of focus outlined in the 2017 Strategic Action Plan.

The following three suggestions were put before a vote of the Council.

1. **Fully Fund State Need Grant** - \$90 million to serve almost 21,000 eligible students this year.
2. **Expand State Work Study** - \$10 million to expand access to the state program.
3. **Expand Access to Dual Credit (defined as Running Start)** - \$5 million for either textbooks or transportation.

Motion was made to approve the supplemental budget request.

Motion seconded.

Motion carried.

Executive Director Report

Michael Meotti, Executive Director

The Council received an update on a joint letter, initiated by Paul Francis and signed by higher education leaders, to oppose the end of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA). Members were also provided updates to the Guaranteed Education Tuition (GET) program and the development of a Washington College Savings Plan. Other updates included information on possible agency legislation.

Public Comment

Larry Seaquist, former representative, offered suggestions to the Council about aligning its mission and vision more closely to the founding statute for the Student Achievement Council, encouraged the Council be more involved in the McCleary process, and advocated for increased engagement through public meetings.

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 4:10 p.m.

Motion seconded.

Motion carried.

The next meeting is scheduled for October 12 at the Seattle Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce.